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EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

MITCHELL COUNTY

Sunday School Convention,

HELD WITH

BLACK MOUNTAN CHURCH,

OCTOBER 4th, 5th & 6th,

1889.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

	No. Enrolled.	Av. attendance	Expences.	Contributing for minutes.	No. Teachers	SUPERINTEND
Roan Mountain,	86	50	$10,85	.60	7	N. Buchanan.
McKinney Cove,	66	35	8,00	.40	6	P. M. Wilson.
Big Meadows,	111	75	3'00	.25	4	A. Johnson.
Bakersville,	96	57	12,00	1.25	7	J. M. Stafford.
Chestnut Grove,	00	20	00	00	4	Waicaster·
Grassy Creek,	00	40	3,00	50	4	D. M. Washberr
Mount Pleasant,	125	75	00	.25	5	T. M. Reed.
Bear Creek,	114	75	4,60	.25	8	Wm. Duncan.
Little Rock Creek	41	41	00	30	0	J. A. Buchanan
Yellow Mountain	85	70	4,00	.35	0	S. Buchanan.
Liberty Hill,	00	00	00	.25	0	Omey Young.
Black Mountain,	81	45	00	.75	7	S. M. Silver.
Cross Nore,	40	30	2 80	00	3	I- A. Johnson.
Green Valley,	80	50	8.00	50	7	—— ——
Cane Creek,	65	45	00	50	3	David Dellinger
Mine Creek,	100	85	5,64	55	8	R. M. Davis.
Elk Park,	89	40	15,00	.50	5	W. W. Carrol.
Aaron,	73	30	4,40	50	3	L. S. Bumbarne
TOTAL,	1252	878	452,9	$7.60	80	

SUNDAY SCHOOL

CONVENTION, 1889.

Held with Black Mountain Church.

The Eighth Annual Seasion of the Mitchell County Baptist S. S. Convention met with Block Mountain Church, Friday, October 4th, 1889.

11 A. M. Introductory Sermon delivered by Rev. Stephen Buchanan: Text, Cor. 6; 2. After which the House called to order by the President, Prof. J. M. Stafford. Rev. P. J. Shell and W. D. Long appointed Reading Clerks: Letters read from 15 *S. S.* and Delegates names enrolled, as follows:

Roan Mountain, Rev. S. M. Greene, N. Buchanan, Bettie A. Greene.

McKinney Cove, Rev. E. Buchanan, C. H. McKiney.

Bakersville, Prof. J. M. Stafford, E. E. Stafford, and Rev. W. S. Buchanan.

Chestnut Grove, William Gaddy, G. Carver.

Grassy Creek, Rev. J. C. Blaylock, D. M. Washburn, jr. Waitste McKiney, Susan Blalock, Eliza Washburn.

Mount Bleasant, Letter but no Delegetes.

Bear Creek, P. C. Duncan.

Little Rock Creek, Wm. Wilson.

Yellow Mountain, Rev. Stephen Buchanan, Manerva Greer, and Nora Buchanan.

Liberty Hill, W. A. McKiney, Harmon Mullins, Abigail Cox.

Black Mountain, W. D. Long, C. E. Burnette, S. M. Collis, jr. S. M. Silvers, M. L. Queen.

Cross Nore, Letter, no delegates.

Cane Creek, Report no Delegates.

Green Valley, Report no Delagates.

On motion of Rev. J. C. Blrlock the following Officers were unanimousle eleeted by acclimatiou :

J. M. STAFFORD, President.
N. BUCHANAN, First Vice President.
S. M. SILVERS, Secand Vice President,
P. J. SHFLL, Third Vice President.
P. C. DUNCAN, Secretary.
E. E. STAFFORD, Assistant Secretary.

The following Committees were appointed by the President:

Committee o Arrangement—Rev. Stephen Buchanan, J. M. Blaylock, E. Buchanan W. D. Long, P. J. Shell, with the President and Secretary

On Sunday School Work. N. Buchanan, W. W. Wilson and M. M. Greer.

On S. S Mission: E. Buchanan, J. C. Blaylock and J. M. Stafford.

On S. S. Literature: P. J. Shell, W. D. Long and E. E. Stafford.

On Temperance: C. E. Burnette, Rev. S. Buchanan and S. M. Greene.

On Resolutions: C. H. McKiney, S. M. Silver.

On S. S. Organization: S. C. Blaylock J. W. Carver, and N. Buchanan..

On Education: Abigail, Cox, Laura Blaylock, S. M. Collis, jr. and Fannie Hickey.

On Finnance: W. McKiney, M. L. Queen.

On Devotional Exercise: The delegates of Black Mountain Church.

On motion. adjourned to 7 P. M.

Benediction by Rev. E. Buchanan

1 P. M. Met according to adjournment: House called to order by first vice president, N. Buchanan. the president being sick: prayer by Rev. S. M. Greene.—called on Committee of Arrangement to report, who submitted the following:

First, call the roll, mark absentees.

Second, read Constitution.

Third, call on correspondents to report and appoint correspondents. [See report.

Fourth, Call on officers of Convention to report.

Fifth, call on the *S. S.* Missionary to report and appoint Missionary. See Rep.

Sixth, Say where and when the next Convention meets and who preaches the *Introductory Sermon.*

Seventh, Call on committees to report; see reports.

Eighth—call for Resolutions. (see resolutions.)

Ninth, say who shall superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes. Report adopted and committee discharged

On motion, suspend rules of business and took up the first item:

Report on S. S. Organization read by W. C. Blaylock; We recommend that all the churches should have a well organzed S.S. and see that they are well supplied with good Literature. We would recommend the use of the International Lesson Helps, as we believe a school is not well organized without them. We would further recommend that the Presidents of the Convention see that the schools in their respective districts are systematically organized.

S. C. Blalock, Chr.
J. N. Carver,
N. Buchanan. } Com.

Very appropriate remarks by J. C. Blaylock, S. M. Greene, P. J. Shell, E. Buchanan, and N. Buchanan.

Report adopted.

On motion, adjourned to 8:30 A. M. Prayer by Rev. E. Buchanan: Benediction by Rev. J. C. Blalock.

8:30 A. M. met according to adjrurnment. Half-hour praise service conduetted by Rev. P. J. Shell. House called to

order by the President. Items of business taken up in their order.

On motion, the following visiting brethren invited to seats;

W. A. Buchanan, Green River Associa

J. B. Bolick, Yancy County Association

On motion, any member is authorized to go as a correspondent to any *Convention* or *Association*.

Officers of Convention submit the following Reports:

J. M. Stafford, President and Missionary reports the following days traveled, 83

Institutes conducted,	10
Miles traveled,	382
Addresses delivered,	81
Organized S. S.,	14

Newton Buchanan, first Vice President, reports the following;

Institutes conducted,	6
Sunday schools organized,	2

S. M. Silvers, Second Vice President, reports the following Institutes conducted, 4 and visited several S. S. and aided in S.S. work.

Rev. P. J. Shell, Third Vice President, reports the following:

Sunday Schools organized,	4
Addresses delivered,	5

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Addresses delivered, 5

On motion, agreed that the next session of this Convention be held with Roan Mountain Church (two miles East of Bakersville) beginning on Thursday before the third Sunday in August, 1890, Rev. P. J. Shell to preach the introductory sermon, Rev. J. C. Blalock alternate.

Report on Temperance.—read by Rev. S. M. Greene.

Temperance is a part of the Gospel, and should be preached and practiced every where, and especially in S. S Paul reasoned on Temperance before Felix the Roman Governor, and said also that he who strives for the mastery is temperate in all things that is necessary for us to use, and the total abstinence from that which is pernicious, or injurious in its effects; Therefore we would recommend that the Church with the S. S. do all they can to suppress the selling, drinking and making of ardent spirits, and not depend too much on the outside world to bring about the desired end.

Very interesting talks were made on the report by Elders Stephen Buchanan, S. M. Greene, E. Buchanan and J. C. Blaylock; also J. M. Stafford and S. M. Silvers. Report adopted.

Committee: Stephen Buchanan, Chair.
C. E. Burnett, S. M. Greene.

Adjourned to 1 P.M. benediction by Rev. P. J Shell. At 1 P. M. met according to adjournment.

Report on Literature, read by Rev. P. J. Shell.

We recommend that all our Sunday Schools use the International Lesson Helps and our S. S. Papers. "Our Little Ones" "Sun Light and "Young People." We are happy to learn that most of our S.S. are using the Lesson Helps, and hope ere long they will all use them.

Very interesting discussion on Report opened by Rev. P. J. Shell, followed by W. A. Buchanan, Rev. J. C. Blaylock, W. D. Long, S. M. Collis, J. M. Stafford and W. S. Buchanan, Report adopted. Committee, Rev. P. J. Shell, Chairman,
W. D. Long, E. E. Stafford.

Report on S. S. Mission, read by J. C. Blaylock.

We are glad to know that the spirit of missions is growing in our churches and S. S. Still we feel the need of more efficient work in this line; therefore we recommend Bro. J. M. Stafford to the Convention as a S. S. Missionary, and would advise the Vice Presidents of this Convention to assist him as much as they can in the work. Very appropriate remarks by Rev. J. C. Blaylock, E. Buchanan and J. M. Stafford. Report adopted.

Committee, { J. C. Blaylock, Chr. / Rev. E. Buchanan.

Report on S. S. read by W. Buchanan.

From the best information we have, we believe the S. S. work is progressing in our county, yet we see a great lack on the part of parents. We recommend that the officers and teachers of all S. S. and Pastors of churches use all their influence to get all the children in Sunday school. Appropriate remarks by W. Buchanan, J. M. Stafford and W. A. Buchanan.

Report adopted:

Committee, W. Buchanan. Chair.
Nerva Greer.

Rep. on Resolutions, read by S. M. Silvers

1. Resolved, the Officers of this Convention constitute an Executive Board to transact the business of the Convention until its next anual session.

2. Resolved, that the officers of this Convention urge upon every S. S. in its bounds to send up delegates to its next session; also, contribution from each school.

3. Resolved, that this Convention tender its thanks to this church and vicinity for its kind hospitality. Committee:

S. M. Silvers, Chairman.
C. H. McKiney.

Report on Education, read by S. M. Collis: We are glad to report that Education is advancing in the bounds of this Convention. We sincerely believe that the people are awaking to the necessity of educating the young. We feel assured that as Education advances liberality to the support of the Gospel will increase. We therefore request this body to lend their aid to help the completion of the school building under way at Bakersville.

Remarks by S. M. Collis. jr. Report adopted. Committee: S. M. Collis, Ch.

Fannie Hickey,
Laura Blalock,
Abigail Cox.

Report on Finance, read by W. McKiney.

$4,00 contributed. Report adopted.

Committee, W. McKiney Chair.
M. L. Queen.

Ordered that the Secretary superintend the printing and distribution of Minutes.

On motion, adjourned to meet at time and place mentioned. Prayer by C. H. McKiney. Benediction by Rev. W. S. Buchanan.

Night Service Sermon by Rev. J. P. Shell.

Declaration by Rev. W. S. Buchanan.

Sunday. 9 A. M. S. S. Mass Meeting 10 30 A. M. Very interesting Sermon by Rev. J. C. Blalock. 11 A.M. a strong and impressive sermon by S. M. Greene. with apparently good effect. This is one of our most interesting and profitable Conventions, and we hope that much and lasting good has been accomplished.

Adjourned: Prayer by S. M. Silver.
Benediction by Rev J. C. Blalock.

J. M. STAFFORD, President.
P. C. Duncan, Secretary.
E. E. Stafford, Ass. Sec.

OFFICERS OF CONVENTION.

J. M. Stafford, Pres. Bakersville, N. C.
N. Buchanan, Vice Pres. "
S. M. Silver, 2d " " Glenn,
P.J. Shell, 3d " " Crossnore,
P. C. Duncan, Secretary, Bakersville,
Mrs. E. E. Stafford, Ass. Sec. "

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PROCEEDINGS.

The Mitchell County Baptist Sunday School Convention convened with Mine Creek Baptist church, Friday, August 20th, 1915, at 10:30 o'clock.

After singing by the Convention, and prayer by Brother Frank Human, the Convention then elected Rev. L. H. Greene temporary chairman, and Brother Greene proceeded with the work as follows:

It was moved and seconded that Bro. Greene be made permanent chairman of the convention. It was then moved and seconded that Bro. Frank Human be chosen secretary of the convention, and the motion carried and Bro. Human was chosen secretary of the convention for the term.

Introductory Sermon preached by Rev. L. H. Greene.

It was then moved and seconded by the convention that there be a committee appointed to get up a programme for the convention; committee appointed:

Rev. Isaac Grindstaff, Rev. Sam McKinney, Rev. R. M. Young, Rev. W. B. Mull.

The convention then adjourned until 1:30, for dinner.

The convention met at 1:30 and resumed business.

Singing by the convention, and prayer by Bro. R. M. Young.

The convention then called for report of the committee on programme which submitted their report.

Letters from all Sunday schools in Mitchell county were called for by the convention, and the following letters were received:

1st—Bakersville Sunday School.
2nd—Cub Creek Sunday School.
3rd—White Oak Sunday School.
4th—Rebbles Creek Sunday School.
5th—Forbes Chapel Sunday School.
6th—Cane Creek Sunday School.
7th—Roan Mountain Sunday School.
8th—Little Rock Creek Sunday School.
9th—Mine Creek Sunday School.
10th—Fork Mountain Sunday School.
11th—Hughes Chapel Sunday School.
12th—Snow Hill Sunday School.
13th—Young Cove Sunday School.
14th—Upper Cub Creek Sunday School.
15th—Spruce Pine Sunday School.

Query: "How to induce church members to attend Sunday School." By R. M. Young, Prof. Teague, Rev. John Blalock and J. H. Davis. Subject ably discussed.

Query: "Who should teach in Sunday School?" Discusssed by Rev. Isaac Grindstaff, Prof. Teague, Rev. C. P. Holland and Rev. Blalock. Subject ably discussed.

It was then moved and seconded that the convention adjourn until Saturday morning at 9:00 a. m. Motion carried and the convention was dismissed by Rev. Blalock. That ended the proceedings for Friday, August 20th.

Saturday, August 21st ,1915.

The convention met at 9:30 o'clock. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. John Blalock; singing by the choir, and prayer.

Query: "Are the Baptists of Mitchell county strong enough, and efficient enough to have at least one member on the County Board of Education?" Question discussed after dinner.

Query: "How shall the church be aroused to a greater interest in schools?" Subject discussed by Rev. C. P. Holland, Rev. W. B. Mull, Rev. R. M. Young and Rev. John Blalock.

Song.

Report of the superintendents of all the Sunday Schools called for.

Query: "Is baptism essential to salvation?"

Motion with second, to drop above question. Motion lost. Question discussed after dinner.

Superintendents of various Sunday Schools, present and reporting were as follows: R. M. Davis, Bro. Childers, D. P. Thomas, Claude M. Young, C. E. Young, Rev. John Blalock for J. L. Buchanan, and D. J. English.

Finance committee: Frank Human, Isaac Grindstaff and Rev. C. P. Holland.

Committee on Place of next convention, and party to preach Introductory Sermon at next convention: Fletas Thomas.

Letters handed in as follows: McKinney Cove Sunday School; Bear Creek Sunday School, by Bro. David English.

At 11:00 o'clock there was a motion that a sermon be preached by Rev. S. M. Greene. Motion carried and Bro. Greene preached for us from 1st Samuel, chapter 11, 20th verse: "She loaned him to the Lord."

The convention called for songs, and was dismissed for dinner, which was served on the grounds.

Saturday Afternoon.

The convention met for the resumption of business; singing by the convention, with David English leader.

Minute fund paid in by Rev. Isaac Grindstaff.

The convention received report from committee on Time and Place for next convention.

Place: Bear Creek Church.

Time: On Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1916. Rev. M. L. Buchanan to preach the Introductory Sermon. Report submitted by D. J. English, R. V. Wilson and D. P. Thomas.

Query: "Is baptism essential to salvation?" The first speaker was W. B. Mull, and his text John VI—53. Rev. S. M. Greene second speaker; Rev. Mull replies. Rev. S. M. Greene with the second discussion on the subject. Bro. Teague third speaker on the subject. Rev. C. P. Holland fourth speaker on the subject. Bro. R. M. Davis fifth speaker on the subject. Rev. John Blalock sixth speaker on the subject. Others discussing the subject, Frank Human, Sherman Parsons, and Rev. L. H. Greene. Discussion closed.

Cash turned over to the secretary by M. L. Buchanan $1.21, collected from outside the Sunday schools.

Sunday Schools and Delegates.

Bakersville: Prof. R. T. Teague, Chas. E. Greene, J. C. McBee, S. J. Black and Mrs. C. E. Greene.

Bear Creek: J. A. Buchanan, S. A. Parks, Merrit Sparks, Will Greene, Berta Young, Hattie Phillips, Effa Duncan and Nola Buchanan.

Bean Creek: Not represented.

Big Rock Creek: Not represented.

Black Mountain: Not represented.

Cane Creek: Carter Buchanan, Alfonzo Buchanan, S. P. Greene.

Chestnut Grove: Not represented.

Cub Creek: John Canipe, John Sparks, C. G. Robinson, Nora Robinson.

Forbes Chapel: Maria Yelton, Robert Frye.

Fork Mountain: David McKinney, S. N. Buchanan, Herbert Hughes, Blanche Hughes, Mae Edwards, Pearl McKinney, Vina Hobson, Virgie Hughes.

Grassy Creek: Not represented.

Hughes Chapel: C. B. Johnson, Tom Edwards.

Liberty Hill: Not represented.

Lilly Branch: Not represented.

Little Rock Creek: D. P. Thomas, H. B. Buchanan, Jeter Buchanan, Francis Burleson, Nola Greene, Maggie Greene.

McKinney Cove: C. H. McKinney, Fred Ellis, Mertie Young, Carrie Wilson, Mallie Wilson.

Mine Creek: Isaac McKinney, R. M. Grindstaff, Etta Grindstaff, Bessie Davis.

Roan Mountain: Sam Johnson, Lou Wilson, Hattie Young, J. B. Buchanan, J. C. Wilson, Rafia Johnson.

Roan Valley: Not represented.

Silver Chapel: Not represented.

Snow Hill: J. L. McNeil, J. L. Buchanan, Cleta Ledford.

Spring Creek: Not represented.

Spruce Pine: Wm. McKinney, Mrs. Esther McKinney, Senia Henson.

Upper Cub Creek: Robt. McKinney, Bessie Greene, Pearl Greene, W. M. Briggs, Richmond Garland.

White Oak: R. V. Wilson, J. M. Ledford, G. D. McNeil, Mrs. Dovie Buchanan, Istalena Baker, Vaultie Wilson.

Young Cove: Mose McKinney, Claude M. Young, Herbert McKinney, Arnold McKinney.

Rebbles Creek: W. G. Willis, Oscar Murdock, C. E. Young.

Motion to adjourn before the convention, and seconded. And the convention calls for a song, a very appropriate one was rendered, after which the convention was dismissed with prayer, by Rev. Isaac Grindstaff, to meet with Bear Creek Church, on Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1916.

L. H. GREENE, Moderator.

FRANK HUMAN, Secretary.

STATISTICAL REPORT

SUNDAY SCHOOLS	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POSTOFFICE.	SECRETARY	POST OFFICE.	Months Open	Quarterlies Taken	Officers and Teachers	Students Enrolled	Average Attendance	Paid to Ophana ge	Paid to Other Objects.	Running Expenses	Minute Fund
Bakersville	W. C Berry, Bakersville	Geo. M. Baker	Bakersville	12		12	150	95	$27.95	$91 85	54 80	$1 00
Bear Creek	S. M. Willis, Ledger	M. V. Buchanan	Ledger	12		11	135	95	10 00	2 77		1 00
Cane Creek	E. W. Young, Clarissa,	Greene Bucanan.	Hawk	9		9	132	80		24 75		1 30
Cub Creek	D. C. Hart, Tocane	C. R. Hart.	Toecane	12		9	225	90		25 39		.50
Little Rock Creek	D. P. Thomas, Glen Ayre	Dewey Buchanan	Glen Ayre	9		8	89	53		8 00		1 00
McKinney Cove	J. D. Braswell, Bakersville	Mertie Young	Bakersville.	12		7	70	35		4 00	7 50	.50
Mine Creek	R. M. Da is, Toecane	J 'F. Greene	Toecane	12		8	101	70	5 00	12 00		1 00
Spruce Pine	L. A. Berry, Spruce Pine	George W. Greene	spruce Pine	12		11	200	90	10 00	79 87	31 31	1 00
Upper Cub Creek	J. H. Childers, Little Rock Creek	Richmond Garland	Bakersville,	6		8	75	48	1 50	2 00	3 25	.25
White Oak	R. G. Wilson, Toecane, Route 1.	W. C. Wllson.	Toecane, Route 1.	12		7	68	49			13 60	.45
Young Cove	Stokes Young, Bakersville	Clande M. Young	Bake rsville.	6		7	60	37		8 00	16 00	.50
Rebbel's Creek	F. G. Garrett, Boonford	J. H. Willis.	Boonford	12		8	65	50	10 09	35 02		.50
Hughe's Chapel	Tom Bucchanan, Relief	C. B. Johnson.	Relief	12		6	197	25		3 32		
Snow Hill	J. L. Buchanan, Ledger	R. S. Wilson	Ledger	9		8	76	56		45 00	11 73	.45
Forbes' Chapel	S. G. Burleson, Peppers.	I. N. Phillips.	Peppers	12		7	60	55		5 00		

Amount Contributed to Mitchell Collegiate Institute: Bakersville, $97.30, Spruce Pine, $10.00

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